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August 2, 2005

Mr. Stephen L. Johnson Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) P.O. Box 1473 Merrifield, VA 22116

Re: HPV Chemical Challenge Program, Registration No.

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Dear Administrator Johnson:

The American Chemistry Council's Fatty Nitrogen Derivatives (FND) Panel wishes to provide an update to EPA on the status of sponsorship by Baker Petrolite Corporation of the following chemicals:

Chemical	CAS#
Naphthenic acids, reaction products with diethylenetriamine	68131-13-5
1H-Imidazole-1-ethanamine, 4,5-dihydro-,2-nortall-oil alkyl derivatives	68442-97-7

In a letter dated July 22, 2005 (attached), Baker Petrolite informed you that it plans to cease production of CAS# 68131-13-5 and CAS# 68442-97-7 by the end of 2005 and hence will no longer sponsor these chemicals under the HPV Challenge Program. Baker Petrolite will continue its commitment to the remaining sponsored chemicals in the American Chemistry Council's Amides Task Group of the FND Panel.

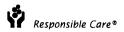
If you have any questions regarding this notification, please contact Nancy Sandrof, Manager for the FND Panel, at (703) 741-5605 or nancy sandrof@americanchemistry.com.

Sincerely yours,

Attachment: Letter to EPA from Baker Petrolite dated July 22, 2005

Cc: FND Panel

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Stephen Johnson, Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Attn: HPVC Challenge Program P.O. Box 1473 Merrifield, VA 22116

Re: HPVC Challenge Program, Amendment of Commitment for CASRNs 68131-13-5 and 68442-97-7

Dear Mr. Johnson:

On 29 November 1999, Baker Petrolite Corporation (BPC), informed the Agency that it was sponsoring CASRNs 68131-13-5 and 68442-97-7under the HPVC Challenge Program as follows:

CASRN	Chemical Identification	Start Date	Consortium/Panel
68131-13-5	Naphthenic acids, reaction products with diethylenetriamine	2001	American Chemistry Council: Fatty Nitrogen Derivatives (FND) Panel
68442-97-7	1H-Imidazole-1-ethanamine, 4,5- dihydro-, 2-nortall-oil alkyl derivatives	2001	American Chemistry Council: Fatty Nitrogen Derivatives (FND) Panel

By way of this letter, we are amending our previous commitment by informing you that BPC is no longer able to sponsor the CASRNs 68131-13-5 and 68442-97-7 under the HPVC Challenge Program. BPC has made the decision to discontinue manufacture and use of CASRNs 68131-13-5 and 68442-97-7 within the US by year-end 2005, and therefore will no longer sponsor these chemicals in the HPVC Challenge Program.

BPC's commitment to the remaining sponsored chemicals in the FND (Amides) Panel and the SDA's LAS/ABS Consortium remains intact.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (281) 275-7257.

Sincerely,

**Baker Petrolite Corporation** 

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Cc: Nancy Sandrof, ACC